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## **Columbus Division of Police**

## Traffic Bureau / Accident Investigation Unit

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For further information, contact: PIO Phone: (614) 645 - 4593 Ext: Date: 01/18/21 Time: 23:37 Type of Offense/Incident: Fatal Traffic Crash Precinct: 16 **Location of Offense/Incident: Vine Street & High Street** Zone: 5 **Incident Report #: 210042788** Cruiser District: 164 Victim: Sex: Race: Age: Victim: Sex: Race: Age: Victim: Sex: Race: Age: Suspect: Address: ☐ Arrested ☐ Warrant on File Sex: Race: Age: **Charges:** Suspect: Address: ☐ Arrested ☐ Warrant on File Sex: Race: Age: **Charges:** 

Date: 01/19/21

Incident Summary: On 01/18/2021, at approximately 11:37pm, Ms Victoria Strauss (23) of Columbus, Ohio, was exiting the parking garage located at 45 Vine Street. While attempting to pay for her parking, she dropped her card. She attempted to retrieve her card by opening her door and leaning out to pick it up. She inadvertently accelerated and collided with the parking kiosk. The collision pinned her between her car door and the door frame. Ms Strauss died as a result of her collision with the kiosk and was pronounced at scene. No one else was involved.

The Accident Investigation Unit responded and initiated an investigation, which is ongoing.

To date, Columbus has had 9 fatal crashes resulting in 9 fatalities.

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